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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, JUNE 14, 1999

APPLICATION OF

VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY                      CASE NO.    PUE990351

For a certificate of public  
convenience and necessity  
authorizing the construction  
of transmission facilities  
in Fauquier County

ORDER FOR NOTICE AND HEARING

On August 11, 1998, Virginia Electric and Power Company ("Virginia Power" or "Company") filed an application requesting regulatory approval for the construction of new gas-fired turbine generator units ("CTs"). Initially, the Company sought to install the units either at a site in Caroline County or a site in Fauquier County. The Company subsequently amended its application to seek authority to construct four 150 MW CTs at its Fauquier County site. The Company also requested regulatory approval for construction of transmission facilities necessary to connect these generators to the electric transmission grid.

In an order issued on May 14, 1999, in Case No. PUE980462, the Commission authorized Virginia Power to construct the four combustion turbine generating units at its location in Fauquier County, Virginia; authorized Virginia Power to make financial

expenditures for such construction; directed the Company to account separately for the fixed costs of the units; and dismissed the case from its docket of active cases.

On May 27, 1999, the Company filed additional supplemental direct testimony supporting Virginia Power's application for approval of construction of the above-referenced transmission facilities. Such testimony supplemented that filed on August 11, 1998, and October 21, 1998, in Case No. PUE980462 relative to the construction of such facilities.

Virginia Power proposes to build a new double-circuit 230 kV line of approximately 2000 feet from the combustion turbine site to the existing Remington substation. This new line would be entirely on the right-of-way of the existing 115 kV Remington-Possum Point line. The 115 kV line will then be terminated in the substation at the Remington combustion turbine site.

Virginia Power also proposes to build a double-circuit 230 kV line of approximately 2,500 feet in length on Company property. The proposed line will connect the combustion turbine site with the existing 230 kV line between Remington Substation and Warrenton. That existing line will be cut and the new lines will be connected to create a new single circuit 230 kV line from Remington Substation to the combustion turbine site and a

new single circuit 230 kV line from the combustion turbine site to Warrenton.

Upon consideration of the application and our order in Case No. PUE980462, the Commission finds that, as required by Title 56 of the Code of Virginia ("the Code"), this matter should be docketed and that Virginia Power should give public notice of the application. We further find that a public hearing should be held before a hearing examiner who will file a report with the Commission.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED THAT:

(1) Pursuant to §§ 56-46.1, 56-265.2, and related provisions of Title 56 of the Code of Virginia, this application be docketed; be assigned Case No. PUE990351; and that all associated papers filed in this docket and in Case No. PUE980462 be filed herein.

(2) As provided by § 12.1-31 of the Code of Virginia and Rule 7:1 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure ("the Rules"), 5 VAC 5-10-520, a hearing examiner be assigned to conduct all further proceedings on behalf of the Commission, concluding with the filing of a final report to the Commission as soon as practicable following the filing of the transcript.

(3) On September 23, 1999, at 10:00 a.m., a public hearing shall be held in the Commission's Courtroom, Second Floor, Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia, to receive

public comment and to receive testimony and exhibits offered by Virginia Power, protestants, intervenors, and the Commission Staff.

(4) On or before July 28, 1999, any person who expects to submit evidence, to cross examine witnesses, and to participate in this proceeding as a protestant pursuant to Rule 4:6 of the Rules, 5 VAC 5-10-180, shall file an original and fifteen (15) copies of a notice of protest with the Clerk, State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218, and simultaneously serve a copy on counsel to Guy T. Tripp, III, Esquire, Hunton & Williams, Riverfront Plaza, East Tower, P.O. Box 1525, Richmond, Virginia 23212. Any corporate entity or governmental unit that wishes to protest must be represented by legal counsel as required by Rule 4:8 of the Commission's Rules, 5 VAC 5-10-200, and Rule 1:5 of the Rules of the Supreme Court of Virginia.

(5) Within five (5) days of receipt, Virginia Power shall serve upon each person who files a notice of protest a copy of this order, its application, and supporting testimony and exhibits, unless copies have already been provided to that person.

(6) On or before August 13, 1999, each protestant shall file with the Clerk of the Commission an original and fifteen (15) copies of its protest and an original and fifteen (15)

copies of the testimony and exhibits that it intends to offer in support of its protest and shall serve one (1) copy of the protest, testimony, and exhibits on counsel to Virginia Power and on all other parties.

(7) On or before September 1, 1999, the Staff may file with the Clerk of the Commission an original and fifteen (15) copies of any testimony and exhibits that it intends to offer and shall serve one (1) copy on all parties.

(8) On or before September 15, 1999, Virginia Power may file with the Clerk of the Commission an original and fifteen (15) copies of any rebuttal testimony and exhibits that it intends to offer in response to testimony and exhibits previously filed and shall serve one (1) copy on all parties.

(9) As provided by Rule 4:7 of the Rules, 5 VAC 5-10-190, any interested person may intervene in this proceeding, either in support of or in opposition to the application, by attending the scheduled hearing and executing and filing with the bailiff a notice of appearance on a form provided for that purpose.

(10) Any person desiring to comment on the application may do so by directing such comments, on or before July 28, 1999, to the Clerk of the Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218. Any comments should refer to Case No. PUE990351.

(11) Any request for modification of any date established by this order shall be by motion filed with the Clerk of the Commission and served on all other parties; except in an extreme emergency and for good cause shown, such requests for modification should be filed at least ten (10) working days before the scheduled date.

(12) As provided in Rule 6:4 of the Rules, 5 VAC 5-10-480, the Commission prescribes service of answers and objections within the earlier of 12 days from receipt of the written interrogatory or request for production by mail or 10 days from receipt by facsimile transmission. Special motions shall be made within three (3) working days of receipt of an objection.

(13) Virginia Power shall promptly make available for public inspection copies of this order, its application, and all other materials now or hereafter filed in this case at locations specified in the public notice ordered below in paragraph (14).

(14) Virginia Power shall publish the following notice as display advertising (not classified) once a week for two consecutive weeks in newspapers of general circulation in the areas of Virginia affected by the proposed transmission lines, publication to be completed by July 9, 1999:

NOTICE OF APPLICATION BY VIRGINIA ELECTRIC  
AND POWER COMPANY FOR A CERTIFICATE OF  
PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY TO  
CONSTRUCT TRANSMISSION LINES  
IN FAUQUIER COUNTY

Virginia Electric and Power Company ("Virginia Power" or "Company") has filed with the State Corporation Commission an application for authority to construct transmission facilities necessary to connect the four combustion turbine generating units at its Fauquier County site to the electric transmission grid. The construction of those generating units was approved by the Commission in Case No. PUE980462.

In its application, as supplemented, Virginia Power proposes to build a new double-circuit 230 kV line of approximately 2000 feet from the combustion turbine site to the existing Remington substation. This new line would be entirely on the right-of-way of the existing 115 kV Remington-Possum Point line. The 115 kV line will then be terminated in the substation at the Remington combustion turbine site.

The Company also proposes to build a double-circuit 230 kV line of approximately 2,500 feet in length on Company property connecting the combustion turbine site with the existing 230 kV line between Remington Substation and Warrenton. That existing line will be cut and the new lines will be connected to create a new single circuit 230 kV line from Remington Substation to the combustion turbine site and a new single circuit 230 kV line from the combustion turbine site to Warrenton.

The application may be inspected during regular business hours in the Commission's Document Control Center, First Floor, Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia. Interested persons who have not previously obtained a copy of the above-

referenced application may contact counsel for the Company at the address set out below.

A hearing is scheduled for Thursday, September 23, 1999, commencing at 10:00 a.m. in the Commission's second floor courtroom located in the Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia to receive public comment and to receive testimony and exhibits offered by Virginia Power, protestants and Commission Staff.

Individuals with disabilities who require an accommodation to participate in any of the scheduled hearings should contact the Commission at least ten (10) days before the hearing to request assistance. The Commission may be contacted by calling 1-800-552-7945 (voice) or 1-800-371-9206 (TDD).

On or before July 28, 1999, any person who expects to submit evidence, to cross examine witnesses, and to participate in this proceeding as a protestant pursuant to Rule 4:6 of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, 5 VAC 5-10-180, shall file an original and fifteen (15) copies of a notice of protest with the Clerk, State Corporation Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218, and simultaneously serve a copy on counsel to Virginia Power, Guy T. Tripp, III, Esquire, Hunton & Williams, Riverfront Plaza, East Tower, P.O. Box 1122, Richmond, Virginia 23218-1122. Any corporate entity or governmental unit that wishes to protest must be represented by legal counsel as required by Rule 4:8 of the Commission's Rules, 5 VAC 5-10-200, and Rule 1:5 of the Rules of the Supreme Court of Virginia.

On or before August 13, 1999, each protestant shall file with the Clerk of the Commission an original and fifteen (15)



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Any interested person may intervene in this proceeding, either in support of or in opposition to the application, by attending any scheduled hearing and executing and filing with the bailiff a notice of appearance on a form provided for that purpose. Any person desiring to comment in writing on the application may do so by directing such comments on or before July 28, 1999, to the Clerk of the Commission, c/o Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23218. All correspondence should refer to Case No. PUE990351.

VIRGINIA ELECTRIC AND POWER COMPANY

(15) Virginia Power shall serve a copy of this order on each governmental official or agency to which the Company sent a copy of its application; service shall be made on or before July 9, 1999, by delivering a copy to the usual place of business, or by depositing a copy in the United States mail, properly addressed and stamped.

(16) On or before July 28, 1999, Virginia Power shall file proof of service of notice and newspaper publication required by this order.